



Editorial

Comment.

Just to think of 15,000 deer being killed in Michigan the past season, and all the result of a few years of protection.

The principal duties of a bank director seem to get his name on the stationery and put up his part of the defalcation.

Just because a man can't find the key-hole when he returns home at an early morning hour is no sign that the keyhole has been misplaced.

When a long shot wins a race and your money is on the favorite, it is no balm to your feelings that the horse you backed was only a head behind.

The Louisville Herald man is mean enough to say that when a girl, who blooms out on Monday in a new shirt waist, it is a dead give away: She has made it on Sunday.

Prof. Wiley, the government chemist, says that alcohol acts as a fuel for the body. This is probably why whiskey is sometimes called "fire water."

Booker T. Washington says, "there is no disgrace in being a cook, but there is eternal disgrace in being a poor cook." What a sweeping condemnation this is.

During a nightmare, a Hopkins county farmer sprang from bed, fell and received injuries which resulted in his death. Moral—Don't eat too much new, country sausage.

From the statements of the horticulturists it would seem that the San Jose scale was about to get away with everything vegetable except the cat-alpa speciosa and the "jimson" weed.

A Cincinnati woman will leave \$50,000 to a son, provided that he remains sober and industrious for the next three years. How'd you like to have a salary of \$16,666 a year just for being good?

A woman preacher filled the pulpit in a Cincinnati church Sunday. It would be mean to say she entered the ministry so she could better see what the other women had on when they come in.

The American Grocer has figures to show that the average consumption of alcoholic drinks has increased nearly 22 per cent in this country since 1896. This is enough to give the WCTU a "what's the use" feeling.

An English astronomer, who claims to know what he is talking about, says there are 64,184,757 stars. Any man with nothing more to do than count stars, should be placed astride the rock pile.

A New Jersey judge has been called upon to decide whether a mother-in-law in half a house makes it a two-family affair. If the judge is a married man it will not take him many seconds to decide the question.

The Louisville Post wisely suggests: Instead of establishing a bureau in Washington to secure the passage of god laws would it not be better to send more of the right kind of men to the House and Senate and turn Congress into that bureau?

That highly interesting and enlightening publication, the Congressional Record, is again being sent out to the suffering public. About the only use to which it has ever been put is that of making "single wrappers" in country newspaper offices.

The New York Daily News made an assignment and suspended publication last week. Had the editor taken cordwood, bacon, etc., on subscriptions, as we poor country fellows have to do, he would have kept his head above water.

The case of the Indiana woman, seven times married at the age of 30, who killed herself, should serve as a warning. Matrimony in moderation is to be commended, but the marriage habit is nearly as stunting to moral growth as the cigarette habit.

Senator Dubois, of Idaho, bitterly attacked the Mormons in a speech in the U S Senate the other day. He should let the Mormons alone. Any man who can get along with more than one wife is entitled to a chromo and the applause of the public.

A man in Ashbury Park, N. J., 95 years old and a great grand father, recently took to wife a woman of 57. The affair was described as a romantic love match, the only missing element being the fact that the two were not childhood lovers.

For once in his life, President Roosevelt has failed to have his own way. He recently jumped in and ordered all public documents printed according to the new-fangled "simplified" spelling, but the House would not stand for it, and reports say "he bowed gracefully to the objection and hereafter all public documents will be printed in the old way."

There has been so much drunkenness among the women of Springfield, Mass., that the police authorities have decreed that no woman without an escort shall be served with drinks in any of the saloons or public houses. The police are determined that no lady shall get drunk by herself.

Highway robbers seem to have taken Louisville, lock, stock and barrel. The papers report the most daring robberies daily, most of them taking place on the most prominent streets. The Kentucky editors should oil up their trusty six shooters before going to the city, next week.

Editor John J. Barry, of the New Haven Echo, is being urged to make the race for State Senator in his district. The voters would never have cause to regret electing John Barry to this or any other office. He is honest, capable, fearless and a gentleman in every sense of the word.

The National Synod of Norway has recently voted by a large majority to give women equal rights with men in the government of the church. The women ought to be given entire control, especially in this country where, were it not for their untiring efforts, the churches would not last as long as Pat staid in the army.

The Richmond Register, which was owned by the late R. W. Miller, was sold last week by order of court, the present editor, Thos. W. Pickles, becoming the purchaser. Mr. Pickles, who is one of the brainiest and brightest editors in the state, will make a number of great improvements in the plant, and his brother editors are delighted to know that he will continue in the harness.

The bureau of animal industry of the department of Agriculture has issued a bulletin on "Information concerning the milk goats." It says that goat's milk is richer in nourishing qualities than cow's milk. Which shows that a diet of tin cans, ashes and waste paper is far more nutritious than one of hay, bran and fodder. The bulletin also says that good butter can be made from goat's milk, but there is nothing surprising in this.

Ruskin defined modern civilization to be a condition of mind in which, no matter where we are, we want to get somewhere else as soon as possible, and no matter how much we have, we are constantly sighing for more. These three conditions are quite common, and if society could get rid of them there would be more peace and happiness. But who shall start the reform in these matters? What minister is bold enough to proclaim the truth and make a sermon properly characterizing the conditions? What newspaper is strong enough to speak of the symptoms with wise words? What layman is conscientious enough to act upon convictions which follow thought upon the subject? Helter skelter the mob rushes from post to pillar, doing that which it ought not to do and striving for more when a plenty is in hand.



Gossip of a

Local Nature

Christmas gift!
Get your sock ready.
No paper next week.
Remember the poor.
County court Monday.
Our last paper 'til 1907.
Fine pneumonia weather.
Pay us that dollar Monday.
Eggnog time approaching.
Send your jug and get it filled.
Send The Record to your friends.
Big crowd expected in town Monday.
The annual swear-off time is close at hand.
Holly and mistletoe are the order of the day.
Here's wishing our patrons a sock full of joy.
Darn your sock and have it ready for Monday night.
Prophecy predict fair, pleasant weather for next week.
The merchants are enjoying a splendid Christmas rush.
Billy West is making a fine Chancellor Commander at the K. P. Lodge.
Help the Record force fill their socks by paying your subscription Monday.
Here's wishing every ready of The Record a sock full of Merry Christmas.
The man or woman who tells a child that Old Santa is a myth is as mean as the devil.
Eld F. M. Tindler will fill his pulpit at the Christian church at the usual hours Sunday.
Extra clerks are greatly in demand by the local stores. Any kind of a boy can get a job.
Everybody will hang up their socks but the newspaper men. They have none to hang.
The "wets" won in Middlesboro by the narrow majority of nineteen. The "drys" will contest.
Tie your bundles securely and mark them plainly before mailing them. It will insure against loss.
It's a safe prediction that attendance at the Sunday Schools next Sunday will be the largest of the year.
Monday will be county court day as well as Christmas Eve, and a great crowd is expected in town.
Read the ads in The Record before coming to town. They'll tell you where to get the best bargains.
Decorate your home for next week. It will not cost much and bring much additional pleasure to the week.
Somerset saloons will close Jan 1st adding another town to the long list recently adopting the local option law.
Buy the boys some popcrackers. No one but a heathen will deprive the urchin of the joy to be found in a few packs.
Why not send The Record to your friend as a Xmas gift? He will enjoy the home news. Only \$1 a year in advance.
Sunday was gloomy and the rain fell in torrents all day. It was what the late Capt White would call a cut-throat day.
County clerk Doty says "trade" is mighty dull in the marriage license business. Only a few have been issued in the past three months.
All of our up-to-the-minute merchants have shown their good business judgment by engaging space in The Record for next year.
The young man, who has burned a ton of papa's coal and fails to send the girl a handsome Christmas gift, should be tarred and feathered.
The L and N pay car, known as a "broad wagon," passed through Friday and stocked the employees with Christmas money.
This office will gladly publish communications, provided the authors will give us their names, but unsigned articles go straight to the waste basket.
This office made a large number of handsome calendars for Mr J. H. Kinaird, the live, up-to-date insurance man. Call at the National Bank and get your'n.
Rev C. C. Brown preached a splendid sermon at the Presbyterian church Sunday morning in which he set forth many reasons why the Christian should be joyful.
Mr C. W. Young, of Dallas, Texas, was appointed administrator of the estate of grandfather, Capt. Franklin J. White. The residence, on Richmond street, was appraised and will be sold later.
Dear Old Santa: Please bring Uncle Sam some mail clerks who will be careful with their work, and try to get the daily papers to Lancaster at least within ten days from date of their publication.

The case against the Simpsons and East, charged with house burning, was continued until next court.

The Baptist Sunday School will have a Christmas tree at the church Monday evening at seven o'clock.

Mrs. Hetty Green, the richest woman in the world, says, "There would be fewer fools on record if people talked less."

Hugh Murray, the Danville jeweler, takes up a lot of space in this issue telling the people of many handsome goods at low prices.

If you have packages to send to Danville, or want one brought from there, see Jas. Hatcher, the stage man. It will be attended to all right.

The Kentucky Press Association will meet at the Seelbach, in Louisville next Friday and Saturday. Every newspaper in the state will be represented.

L. G. Davidson, the up-to-the-minute groceryman, shows that he has a big stock of goods and wants your trade by taking a whole page in this issue of The Record. Read it and you'll see he means business.

Masonic Election.
The annual election of officers of Lancaster Lodge, 104, F and A. M., will be held Thursday night, the 27th, at seven o'clock sharp. The craft will take due notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Some Good Prices.
In the Paris market corn is selling at \$2.50 per barrel and hay from \$13.50 to \$24 per ton. A Montgomery correspondent says corn is worth \$2.75 and hay \$16 to \$17 in the Mt. Sterling market.

Kind Words.
The Somerset Journal says: Capt. Frank J. White pass away, as anticipated in one last issue. His printer's ink stained hands, clean life and pure heart will pass him safely by the dread post of St. Peter.

Crap Shooters.
Officers Beazley and Herron flushed a crap game Sunday, arresting twelve negroes. Judge Armstrong dished out justice with a liberal hand Monday morning, and, as a result, the chain gang has been greatly increased in numbers.

An Important Victory.
In a suit at Owensboro this week Circuit Judge Birkhead decided that when a tobacco grower has pooled his crop with the Society of Equity that he has no right to sell his crop without the consent of the Society. This is an important victory for the Tobacco Association.

For Next Year.
Mr. John Ballard will continue to run the Ballard House, on Danville street, next year. They have a number of nice rooms for rent by the week or month, also. They are prepared to accommodate day boarders, the table being supplied with everything the market affords.

Good Service to Danville.
Jas. Hatcher, proprietor of the Danville stage line, is prepared to carry passengers in the best and most comfortable manner. A good wagon, fast horses, plenty of rugs and good foot-warmers make the trip one of pleasure. Ride with him and go in comfort.

Money Wasted.
The calendar idea of advertising (?) was run into the ground again this year. Not one in every fifty will find a place in the homes of the people. They are expensive, too. Half the same money spent in the business like method of advertising—in a newspaper—will bring three-fold more results.

No Paper Next Week.
Following the custom of country weeklies everywhere, The Record will not be printed next week. The hands want a day or so off, while the editor must attend to some important business requiring his entire time. If you want job work, we will be ready and anxious to wait upon you, but the paper will not be printed.

Will Install Deposit Boxes.
The National Bank officials have decided to place safety deposit boxes in the large vault, and a number of these handy and necessary devices have been ordered. Cashier Denny tells The Record the boxes will be of the latest and most desirable pattern, and absolutely safe and convenient arrangement. The boxes will be at the disposal of renters during business hours each day. They are of inestimable value to people who have insurance policies, jewels or valuable papers of any kind.

Court Adjourns.
Circuit court adjourned Friday, after a very busy session. The lawyers most all of whom were engaged in the murder cases, were hard-worked during the entire term, and these cases required most all their time. Very little civil business was attended to, the criminal dockets taking up nearly all the time. Judge Roach, who presided in the absence of Judge Bell, was highly complimented by the lawyers, his work giving perfect satisfaction to all concerned.

No Coal Christmas.
The Lancaster coal dealers have decided to give their hands a rest Christmas day, and no coal will be delivered next Tuesday. If you are out order in time.

Let 'Em Celebrate.
It is likely that the boys will be allowed to celebrate with fireworks one night next week. This is the best idea to have all of it at one time, as the entire New York detective force could not stop it. Pull down the bars and let the boys have some fun, but for one night only.

The Poor Printer Again.
Down in a Southern-Kentucky town a bridegroom presented the bridesmaids at his wedding with pearl brooches. Think of the trouble kicked up when the poor printer who set the type for the newspaper made it read the bridesmaids all wore handsome breeches, the gift of the bridegroom.

Good Sale of Tobacco.
At the sale of tobacco at the three Lexington ware houses one day about 100,000 pounds were sold at auction at an average price of 8 1/2 cents. The best price was 17 cents per pound for about 600 lbs, grown by Thomas Erskine, of Clark county. This was the highest price ever paid for the weed in Lexington.

A Useful Present.
This office has printed quite a lot of letter heads and envelopes for ladies who wished to give the men folk something useful for a Christmas present. We make 500 letter heads for \$1.50 and the same number of envelopes for \$1.50 all printed on the very best quality of paper and put up in fine boxes. If you want some of this work, place your order at once, as it requires two days to pad the work and let it dry properly.

Narrow Escape.
A few nights ago, the blow-out plug on one of the light plant boilers blew out and came near killing Ad McDonald, the obliging and faithful engineer. The steam and scalding water soon covered the floor, and had not Adshined up a post with the rapidity of a squirrel he would have been scalded to death. The plug only missed his body a few inches. The water soon ran out of the building, the reserve boiler was fired and the lights turned on in less than forty minutes. That's what we call good work, especially for one who had been scared so badly.

Big Improvements.
The chain gang has made the street leading from Stanford avenue to the depot an entirely new one. First a heavy layer of large stone was spread, they the smaller rock was put on thickly, which makes it first class in every respect. The many people who have to haul over the streets appreciate the improvement. Chief of Police Beazley is having all the streets worked on, and by Spring, Lancaster will have the best streets in Central Kentucky. Had it not been for the work house hands, under Mr. Beazley's splendid supervision, Lancaster streets would now be bottomless mudholes.

There will be a Christmas tree at the Presbyterian church Monday afternoon at three o'clock. Those having presents to place on the tree are urged to bring them to the church before noon, or by two o'clock at the latest. Everybody invited.

Dr. Frazee Dead.
Dr. J. L. Frazee, for many years a prominent physician of Lancaster, died suddenly at his home in Lexington Monday. He was found lying in his office at a late hour, and death is supposed to have been caused by heart disease. He is survived by his wife. The funeral took place in Lexington Wednesday.

Prices at Paris.
Hibler Bros., shipped 300 hogs to the Cincinnati market that cost \$5.65 per one hundred pounds, and one load of mixed butcher cattle to the same market. They also shipped two car loads of export cattle weighing 1,500 pounds to the market at Pittsburg, Pa., which cost 5 cents per pound. Messrs. Hibler Bros. say the demand for meat hogs from farmers is unprecedented in the history of the county, notwithstanding the number of hogs exported has been unusually heavy.—Paris News.

Excellent Service.
Believing that able and honest official service should be put at a premium, and that expressions of public approval should be published, we take pleasure in stating that Hon. J. E. Robinson is making one of the very best county attorneys in this, or any other section of the State. This assertion is verified by all those who are familiar with his work during the last term of the circuit court. His part of the work in the preparation and trial of cases evinced ability and honesty of purpose. He not only guards the interests of the county and state with unwavering fidelity, but his speeches are strong, logical and eloquent. The Record congratulates him on his success and predicts for him a brilliant future.

Card To Our Friends.
This being our last issue in the year, we beg the liberty of extending to those who patronized the Central Record office our most sincere thanks, and say that we appreciate fully every order given us and every kind word uttered in behalf of our humble efforts. If any customer was dissatisfied with an order, and same was not promptly made right, it was because we did not know of his trouble. Our office is thoroughly equipped for doing all kinds of printing, and we are proud of the fact that fully two thirds of the business houses give us their orders. There are a few who prefer sending a way, but they have that privilege and we raise no objection at all so long as they do not come to us when they have an axe to grind by wanting something published, or, worse still, by asking the suppression of some item of news. We are deeply grateful to our patrons and those subscribers who have paid for the paper without our having to hire a man to collect it. So here's wishing one and all a Merry Christmas and a New Year chock full of the best of everything the soul desires.

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